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Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship Applications Due by April 1, 2014

Carson City—State Treasurer Kate Marshall and the Board of Trustees of the College Savings Plan of Nevada (Board) announced today that applications for the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship are now being accepted for the 2014-15 school year. One college student entering his or her senior year majoring in education will be selected from both northern and southern Nevada. Applications must be returned to the State Treasurer's Office by no later than midnight April 1, 2014.

Senate Bill 220, sponsored by Sen. Ben Kieckhefer, was unanimously passed by both houses of the 2011 Legislature and signed by Gov. Brian Sandoval on April 27. SB220 created a scholarship fund from donations received by the Treasurer's Office after the tragic death in July 2010 of former Governor Kenny C. Guinn. To date, more than \$208,000 has been donated in memory of Gov. Guinn, who originated the concept of the Millennium Scholarship program, which was renamed in his honor by the State Legislature in 2005.

Amended in 2013 to provide two scholarships per year, SB220 provides up to \$4,500 to qualified Gov. Guinn Millennium Scholarship (GGMS) students each year to supplement that student's current GGMS award. Qualifications include:

- Must be an eligible Millennium Scholar with no strikes against his/her scholarship at the time of application;
- Must be entering his/her senior or last year of college with 90 or more credits at an eligible institution (UNR, UNLV, Great Basin College, Nevada State College, or Sierra Nevada College);
- Be enrolled in and remain enrolled in a course of study leading to licensure in elementary or secondary education;
- Maintain a college grade point average of not less than 3.5 on a 4.0 grading scale;
- State a commitment to teaching in Nevada upon graduation; and
- Have a commendable record of community service.

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Applications, which are available on the State Treasurer's website at https://nevadatreasurer.gov/MillenniumScholarship.htm, must be received by midnight April 1, 2014. Aside from three letters of recommendation, applicants must complete a short essay describing what receiving the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship would mean to them personally and how the recipient would use their education degree to benefit the people of Nevada.

All applications which meet the eligibility criteria will be provided to an independent review committee, which will recommend possible choices to the Board for the final selection.

People and/or businesses wishing to make a tax-deductible donation to the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship Fund may send checks to:

State Treasurer's Office 101 N. Carson Street, Ste. 4 Carson City, NV 89701

For more information on the Gov. Guinn Millennium Scholarship program or the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Millennium Scholarship, please go to https://NevadaTreasurer.gov or contact the GGMS office at MillenniumScholars@nevadatreasurer.gov.

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